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Basic trainees crawl through a section of the tactical assault course all Airmen must conquer during field training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. The half-mile course, which has a variety of obstacles, tests the trainees' newly acquired tactics. The training also reinforces the trainees' need to communicate with fellow Airmen — their wingmen — and strengthen their warrior ethos.

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